Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Flash floods rank as the major killers and destroyers among weather-related disasters in South Dakota and the United States; and,

WHEREAS, The most destructive flash flood in the history of the United States in terms of loss of life took place in the Black Hills of South Dakota in 1972, when 237 were killed; and,

WHEREAS, It is recognized that when appropriate actions are taken to increase the public's awareness of the dangers from flash floods and how to avoid these dangers, fewer persons are injured or killed because of such flash floods; and,

WHEREAS, The National Weather Service of the United States Department of Commerce, The American Red Cross, the South Dakota Department of Public Safety and the South Dakota Division of Emergency and Disaster Service have joined together in sponsoring Flash Flood Awareness Week:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of May 17-23, 1982, as

FLASH FLOOD AWARENESS WEEK

in South Dakota, and urge the cooperation of the above-mentioned agencies together with the news media in concerted efforts to inform the citizens of the proper actions to take to avoid the dangers from flash flooding.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Third Day of May, In the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Two

WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Alice Kundert

ALICE KUNDERT, SECRETARY OF STATE

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